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SUBJ: CIVAIR: TWA ACCESS TO LAJES

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1. IN ACCORDANCE REFTEL EMBASSY CONVEYED USG POSITION TO SECRETARY OF STATE FOR TRANSPORT. SUBSEQUENTLY, I TELEPHONED TRANSPORT MINISTER RUI VILAR TO RECEIVE HIS REACTION. HE SAID GOP POSITION WAS THAT MEETING MUST TAKE PLACE BEFORE TWA WAS GRANTED ACCESS TO LAJES. I REJECTED THIS POSITION.

2. LAST NIGHT, MAY 5, VILAR PHONED ME AGAIN. EMPHASIZING THE DELICATE POLITICAL NATURE OF PROBLEM, VILAR TOLD ME HE WAS SIMPLY UNABLE TO GRANT ACCESS TO LAJES WITHOUT SOME OTHER ACCOMPANYING ACTION. HE ASSURED ME TWA WOULD BE GRANTED ACCESS IF WE COULD JUST HELP HIM SOLVE HIS PROBLEM. AFTER SOME DISCUSSION HE PROPOSED A MEETING TO DISCUSS IMPLEMENTATION OF THE BILATERAL AT WHICH TWA ACCESS TO LAJES WOULD BE FIRST POINT ON THE AGENDA. IF WE AGREED TO SUCH A MEETING, HE SAID, HE COULD ASSURE ME ACCESS WOULD BE IMMEDIATELY GRANTED AT THE MEETING BY A SIMPLE EXCHANGE OF LETTERS. HE ALSO SAID HE UNDERSTOOD THAT MEETING WOULD BE TO DISCUSS RELATIONS UNDER THE BILATERAL AND

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NOT OPEN NEW ISSUES WHICH WOULD REQUIRE RENEGOTIATION OF THE BILATERAL.

3. COMMENT: IT SEEMS THAT WHAT WE ARE DOWN TO ON THIS ISSUE IS THE PRICE OF A WASHINGTON VISITOR TO ENABLE VILAR TO SOLVE HIS INTERNAL PROBLEMS. I SUGGEST WE AGREE TO THE MEETING, AND IN DOING SO WE OBTAIN RENEWED ASSURANCES

FROM VILAR THAT THE QUESTION OF TWA ACCESS TO LAJES WILL
BE FIRST POINT ON THE AGENDA, WILL NOT BE LINKED TO OTHER
ITEMS THAT MIGHT ARISE, AND WILL BE SOLVED FAVORABLY.
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